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Notice on Rule Changes for Fire Extinguishers, Fire Sprinklers, Explosives Users and LP Gas Dealers

The following are highlights of rule changes effective July 14, 2009:

Fire Extinguisher Codes

Tennessee's fire extinguisher codes will be updated. The editions will be:

NFPA 10-2007, Standard for Portable Fire Extinguishers

NFPA 12-2008, Standard on Carbon Dioxide Extinguishing Systems

NFPA 12A-2004, Standard on Halon 1301 Fire Extinguishing Systems

NFPA 17-2002, Standard for Dry Chemical Extinguishing Systems

NFPA 17A-2002, Standard for Wet Chemical Extinguishing Systems

NFPA 18-2006, Standard on Wetting Agents

NFPA 408-2004, Standard for Aircraft Hand Portable Fire Extinguishers

NFPA 2001-2008, Standard on Clean Agent Fire Extinguishing Systems

NFPA 2010-2006, Standard for Fixed Aerosol Fire-Extinguishing Systems

Fire Sprinkler Inspections

Backflow preventer inspections by employees or agents of public water systems will not require a fire sprinkler contractor's license from the Tennessee State Fire Marshal's Office.

Explosives User Registration Fees

The following fees will be charged for explosives user's registrations beginning August 1, 2009:

Firms: \$765 for initial registration, \$750 for renewal Blasters: \$315 for initial registration, \$300 for renewal

Limited Blasters: \$215 for initial registration, \$200 for renewal

Handlers: \$115 for initial registration, \$100 for renewal

All registrations are for three-year terms.

Fireworks Display Expediting Fee

Beginning August 1, 2009, a \$50 expediting fee will be charged for fireworks display applications received by the State Fire Marshal's Office within ten days prior to the display. This fee is in addition to the normal permit fee.

LP Gas Codes

The LP gas codes will be updated. The editions will be:

NFPA 58-2008, Liquified Petroleum Gas Code NFPA 54-2006, National Fuel Gas Code